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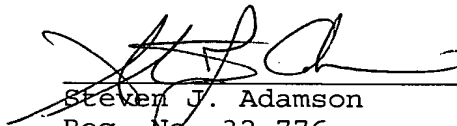
Applicant requests entry of the above amendments prior to examination. Claim 1 is cancelled and claims 2-7 are added by this amendment.

Applicant respectfully submits that Claims 2-7 are in condition for allowance and early notification of same is respectfully requested. Should the Examiner believe that a telephone conference would help further prosecution of this case, the Examiner is requested to contact the undersigned at the listed number.

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Respectfully Submitted  
on behalf of Applicant,

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